



## **CAPITOL CHAPTER**

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**FAMILY RV ASSOCIATION**

**DC, MD, DE, PA, VA, WV, NJ**



The Capitol Chapter is proud to be one of the oldest chapters in the Eastern area carrying a tradition of fellowship, service and appreciation for our nation's history. We are privileged to be one of the geographical centers of America's 250 celebrations and are honored to be part of this historic milestone.

For 250 years, the spirit of freedom, independence and opportunity have defined the American journey. Those values inspire us to travel the highways of our great nation, discovering breathtaking landscapes, friendly communities and historic treasures. From coast to coast, every mile traveled reminds us of the courage, vision and sacrifices that built the United States and continue to unite us today.

As America commemorates this unforgettable anniversary, the Capitol Chapter celebrates not only our nation's past but also the freedom to keep exploring its future. We encourage everyone to embrace the adventure of travel, experience the beauty of our land and take pride in the enduring spirit of liberty that makes America great. May your journeys be safe, your horizons expanding and your appreciation for our great nation grow with every mile. Let freedom lead the way.

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### Message from the President

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

Greetings Capitol Chapter,

Happy Summer! Hope everyone had a wonderful spring season! The summer season is here and hopefully all of you are booked up for a lot of upcoming adventures.....

We had a great time at our rally at Cherry Hill campground in College Park, MD. We just came back from another Capitol rally in Williamsburg. Thanks to Len & Diane for planning a great weekend together. Capitol has 1 more rally scheduled in October. Check it out in this issue of the newsletter!

We are ready to start planning for 2027 rallies. We are attaching a list of various campgrounds to choose from or pick one of your own. Please step up and help plan a rally. Our membership chair, Dana, can help you organize.

Until next time, keep on traveling!

Joe Kromash, President



### Sympathy and Well Wishes

Please keep Manny Vidal's granddaughter in your thoughts as she deals with some medical challenges. We're sending warm wishes for strength, comfort and a smooth recovery.

With sincere sympathy to Peggy (Rick) Morris, we share the passing of Peggy's mother. Please keep Peggy and her family in your thoughts as they grieve through the loss of their cherished loved one.

We also extend our heartfelt condolences to Debbie Logsdon and her family on the passing of her father. May they find comfort in the memories of his long, loving and well-lived life.

Contact Committee Chair Margie Cohn, [margiezc@aol.com](mailto:margiezc@aol.com) with information you would like to share.

### Capitol Chapter Members

Attached is the link to order Capitol Chapter shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies. You have the option to have the shirts shipped to you (for a fee) or delivered to you at a rally.

All t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies are available with the Capitol Chapter emblem on the upper left chest. If you have any questions, send an email to [snappscenery301@gmail.com](mailto:snappscenery301@gmail.com). Once the form has been submitted you will receive an email within 48 hours with your final invoice including shipping. Online payment forms accepted, Venmo and PayPal.

[Capitol Chapter Shirt Order](#)

Questions? Contact Len Mierzwa, 301-904-9911  
[len.mierzwa@verizon.net](mailto:len.mierzwa@verizon.net)



## Important Update

Please check your FRVA profile by signing into your FRVA.com member dashboard to verify that a copilot is listed and that contact address, email, phone numbers are correct. Additionally, please check off what communication you wish to receive from FRVA by going to the communication tab.

It is important to list your copilot's name and information as this will cover them for all FRVA's benefits, i.e. medical, travel assist, discounts. This information will protect each pilot with liability insurance in case anything happens at rallies or events thru FRVA.

If you need assistance in updating your profile please contact Dana Kromash at [bobosmom1227@gmail.com](mailto:bobosmom1227@gmail.com).



The Capitol Chapter would like to welcome the following new members:

Manny Vidal

Welcome aboard! We are excited to have you join our group and look forward to meeting you at our rallies and events. Thank you for choosing to be part of the Capitol Chapter.



## Rally Recaps


### FRVA's 112 International Convention & RV Expo , Perry Georgia


Changes in Latitude - RV Beach Rally Event

March 18-21, 2026

100+ seminars, great nightly live entertainment, RV exhibits and shopping, a ladies' luncheon, parades, games, potluck dinners and a chance to reconnect with old friends while making new ones.



 **FRVA'S 112<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION & RV EXPO**  
MARCH 18-21, 2026 · PERRY, GEORGIA

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## Cherry Hill Park Campground

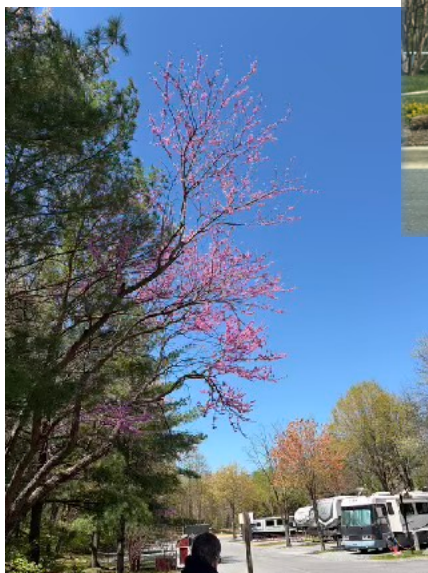
April 9-12, 2026

Hosted by Joe & Dana Kromash

This campground was the perfect place for exploring the DC area. We had all the amenities and services we needed for a comfortable stay. It gave our group the ideal mix of adventure, relaxation and great memories.



Enjoying our dinner from Sardi's Peruvian restaurant



We found cherry blossoms at our campground





**Williamsburg, VA**

June 5-9, 2026

Hosted by: Len & Diane Mierzwa

Our Williamsburg rally was the ideal place to start celebrating America 250- the area where it all began.





## 2026 RALLIES AND EVENTS

**July 1 - 4, 2026**

**FRVA's 113th International Convention**

Sedalia, MO

This International Convention will take place at the Missouri State Fair Grounds. Come join the rally.

To register call the event staff at 800-543-3622 or 513-474-3622.

**September 11 - 14, 2026**

**Pocono Raceway Rally - Special Invitation**

The Penn Coachmen have invited the Capitol Chapter to attend their rally at Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, PA.

This well attended popular event is September 11-14, 2026.

Check out their website for details and information.

<http://penncoachmen.org/pocono-preliminary/>



**October 22 - 25, 2026**

**Sunfest Ocean City, MD**

Hosts: Len & Diane Mierzwa



Sun Outdoors Campground

12612 Eagles Nest Road Berlin, MD

We have 10 sites reserved. Call Ann Savoia at 248-749-7619 to make your reservation. Let her know you are with the Capitol group. Also, please call Len Mierzwa at 301-904-9911, to let him know you are coming.

Sunfest is one of the areas largest outdoor festivals showcasing arts, crafts, music and culinary delights. The music lineup features live performances by top artists and local talents from various genres. Plus you will experience all the excitement the boardwalk has to offer.

**December 6, 2026**

**12:00 - 3:30 pm**

**Holiday Party & Annual Chapter Meeting**

Organizers: Joe & Dana Kromash

West End Grill

2049 West St. Annapolis, MD



# 2027 RALLIES AND EVENTS

## Save the Dates

### **March 18-21**

FRVA International Convention  
Georgia National Fairgrounds  
Perry, Georgia

### **April 29 - May 2**

Cruisin' Car Show  
Sun Outdoors Ocean City, Berlin, MD  
Hosts: Joey & Dana Kromash

### **June 3-6**

Campground - TBD, Mount Airy, North Carolina  
Hosts: Len & Diane Mierzwa

### **August 16-19**

FRVA's 115th International Convention & RV Expo  
Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center  
Shawnee, OK

### **September 9-12**

Roamstead Campground, Gatlinburg, TN  
Hosts: Joe and Dana Kromash

### **October 4-10**

#### **GEAR**

West Virginia State Fairgrounds, Lewisburg, WV

### **December 2027**

Holiday Party  
West End Grill, Annapolis, MD  
Organizers: Joe & Dana Kromash

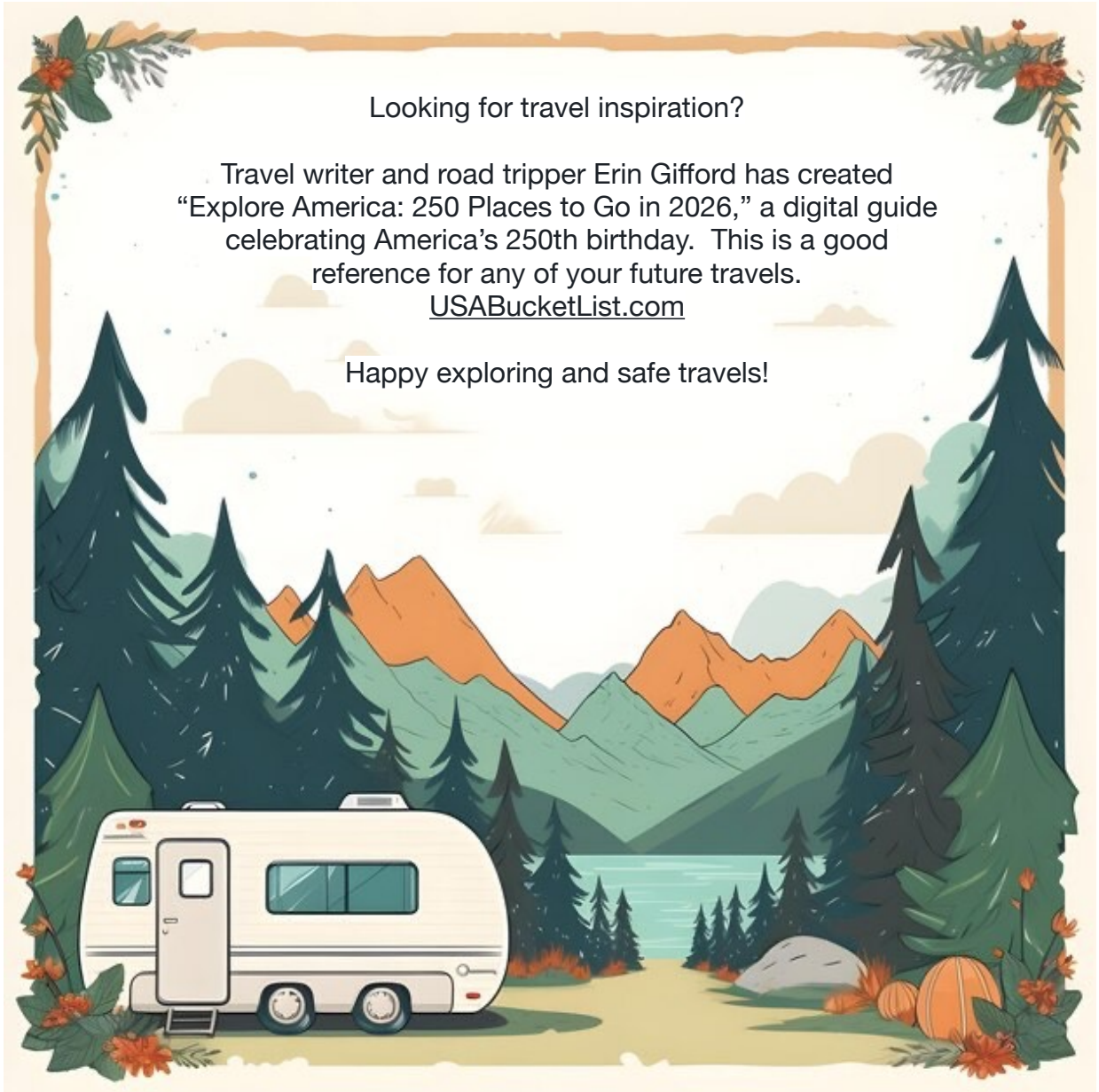


Looking for travel inspiration?

Travel writer and road tripper Erin Gifford has created “Explore America: 250 Places to Go in 2026,” a digital guide celebrating America’s 250th birthday. This is a good reference for any of your future travels.

[USABucketList.com](https://USABucketList.com)

Happy exploring and safe travels!





## Future Rally Suggestions

### Maryland

Little Bennett Campground, Clarksburg, Maryland  
Full hookups and pull thru sites. Miles of hiking, biking and trails.  
<https://montgomeryparks.org>

**Ocean City**, Spring or Fall

### Pennsylvania

#### **Benner's Meadow Run Campground, Farmington, PA**

Located right outside Ohiopyle State Park and Fallingwater. Visit historic sites, hike, bike kayak, fish. Lots to do and campground has many amenities.  
<https://www.bennersmeadowrun.com>

#### **Deer Run Camping Resort Gardners, PA**

The area has shopping, shows, antiques, hiking and is minutes from Gettysburg Battlefield.  
<https://deerruncampingresort.com>

#### **Warrior Path State Park, Saxton, PA**

The geography of this park features a river wrapping around three sides of the land to form a finger-shaped peninsula. The park is on the Bucket List of places to go in PA.

<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dcnr/recreation/where-to-go/state-parks/find-a-park/warriors-path-state-park>

### Virginia

#### **Chincoteague Island Blueberry Festival, Chincoteague, VA**

Largest arts and crafts fair on the Eastern Shore, plus delectable blueberry foods.

<https://chincoteagueislandblueberryfestival.com>



### **Cozy Acre Campground, Powhatan, VA**

Family operated campground offering a variety of sites and amenities including VIP sites along the water.

[www.cozyacres.com](http://www.cozyacres.com)

### **Luray RV Resort & Campground, Luray, VA**

An ultimate riverside escape on the Shenandoah River.

<https://www.lurayrvresortshenandoahriver.com>

### **Monroe Bay Campground, Colonial Beach, VA**

This campground by Colonial Beach town offers many local area events.

Explore the beaches, walk the boardwalk, enjoy local eateries, wineries and historic landmarks.

<https://monroebaymarina.com>

<https://www.visitcolonialbeachva.com>

## **West Virginia**

### **Brunswick Family Campground, Harper's Ferry, WV**

Nestled on a stretch of land between the Potomac River and the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal, there are many attractions within minutes of the campground - from river trips to museums, antique shops and more.

<https://www.potomacrivercampground.com>

### **Bushcreek Falls Resort, Princeton, WV**

Scenic stays and outdoor adventures. Back in, pull thru, premium and “super premium waterfall” sites.

<https://www.brushcreekfalls.com>

### **Five River Campground, Parsons, WV**

Camp along the banks of the Shavers Fork River in the hills of West Virginia near Monongahela National Forest.

<https://www.fiverivercampground.com>



*In case you missed it, posting again -*

**2026 is an exciting time to travel across our country and celebrate America's 250th birthday. Below are a few websites that you might find interesting while traveling this year.**

### **Freedom 250**

The national organization leading the celebration of our Nation's 250th birthday.

<https://freedom250.org>

### **Freedom 250 U.S. Department of the Interior**

Monthly highlights from historic sites and paying tribute to figures that contributed to our national heritage.

<https://www.doi.gov/freedom250>

### **National Park Service**

Proud keepers of our national parks and historical sites, over 400 places that are associated with American history will be highlighted.

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/npscelebrates/usa-250.htm>

### **Events| Washington DC**

We are in the zone! Celebrate with special exhibits at the museums, live concerts, festivals and ongoing festivities.

<https://dc250.us/events>

### **Virginia 250 Virginia American Revolution 250 Commemoration**

Virginia played a significant role in securing American independence. This website has events, exhibitions, virtual tours, live streams and more.

<https://va250.org>

### **Ten of the Most Exciting Ways to Commemorate America's 250th This Year**

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/travel/ten-of-the-most-exciting-ways-to-commemorate-americas-250th-this-year-180988106/>

### **Sail250 Baltimore**

A global gathering of International tall ships and aircraft. Baltimore is part of a 5 city national event which includes ports of New Orleans, Norfolk, New York and Boston. The Navy's Blue Angels Squadron and other aviation performers will fly over Baltimore Harbor and Inner Harbor.

<https://www.sail250md.org>



## Ways to Connect and Keep in Touch

You can read about the latest happenings and contact Capitol officers and friends.

★ **Websites:**

[www.frva.com](http://www.frva.com)

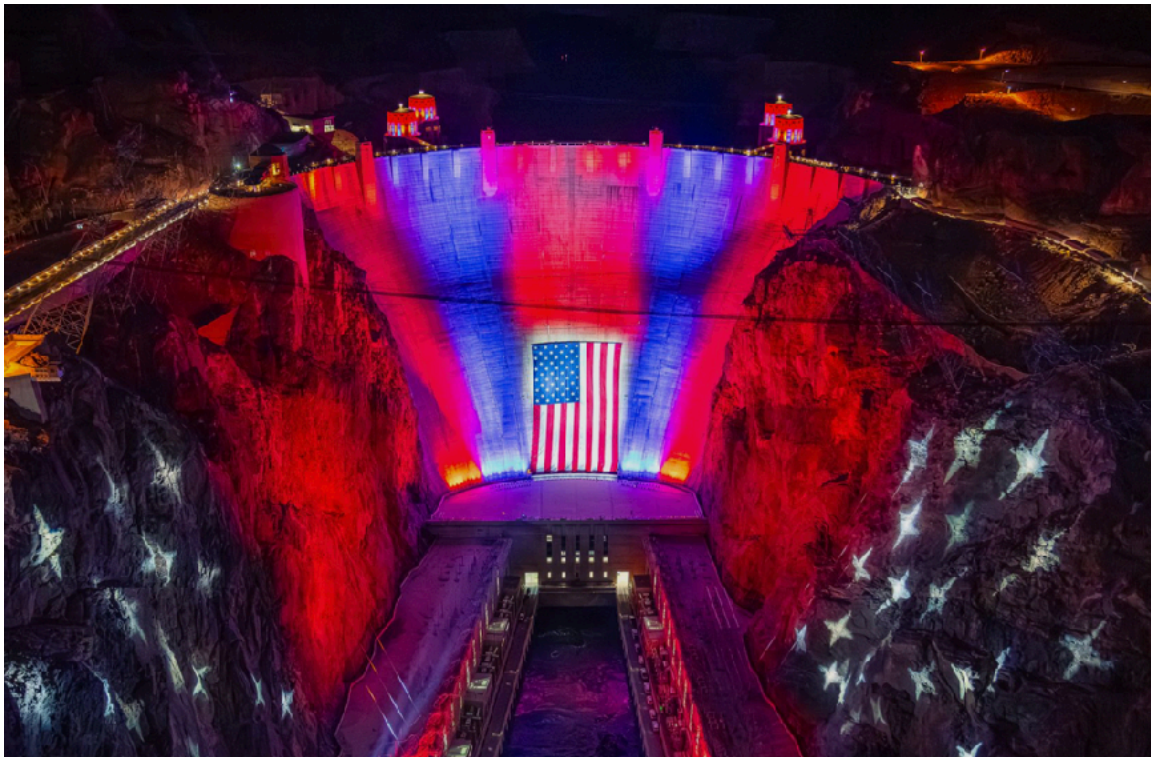
[www.frva-ea.com](http://www.frva-ea.com)

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